

THE FEEDLINE

THE CANTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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146.790

MEETINGS

THIRD WEDNESDAY

EACH MONTH

7:30 PM

STARK COUNTY E.O.C.

LOWER LEVEL

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RT 62 EAST

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January 15th, 2003 marks the date of the Annual C.A.R.C. Awards banquet. Join us at **THE OLD COUNTRY BUFFET, 4385 Whipple Ave. NW at 7:00 PM** for the festive occasion.

"You can get anything you want . . . at the C.A.R.C. restaurant !"

Awards will be presented of all kinds, which will be followed by a slide program. Please contact Mike Robinson (KI0DE) or Roger Gray (W8VE) if you wish to nominate a worthy party for an award.

Reservations are highly suggested. A sign-up sheet will be passed at the December Meeting. If you can't be with us at the E.O.C. on December 18th, you can call Mike (KI0DE) at 330-478-3831 and reserve your place at the table.

In the event you wish to arrive un-announced - feel free to do so, as there is plenty of room for all.

A word of caution - this event will take the place of our usual meeting at the Stark County Emergency Operations Center.

CLUB EVENTS

HOLIDAY PARTY -

At the December 18th meeting, a special celebration of the Winter Solstice (and all other seasonal holidays) will take place following our usual meeting. This is an important time of year for all, so don't miss this opportunity to celebrate, amateur radio style.

We will forgo our usual repast of coffee & doughnuts for more seasonal food of cheese, meats and other delights. The meeting starts promptly at 7:30 PM, with the party to follow! Hope to see you there.

CLUB TRAILER WORK PARTY...

Alas, not all is fun and food. Plans are to finish the interior paneling and insulation of our Safety Break Trailer. A nice coat of barn red paint will be applied to the exterior. The trailer is located inside a building with heat, to overcome inclement weather. Our trailer is proving to be a useful tool for portable and emergency operations. We are close to making it a home away from home. The new year brings many opportunities for the trailer and our club to be more visible in the Canton community! Join us on **Saturday, January 11 at 10:00 AM**

at 1531 4th St. SE - Canton, or call N8PW at 330-456-7000.

OFFICERS

At the November meeting a new slate of officers were found in their places! A complete list of officers can be found on the cover page of the Feedline. Please contact them with your suggestions for club activities or your concerns.

From Mat, KC8RYG (a new trustee and our club web-master) comes the following computer (windoze) suggestion:

A handy way to select multiple icons at one time is to corral them with a lasso. The lasso tool works on the desktop and within Windows Explorer. Let KC8RYG show you a few tips for using your lasso to select icons.

Put your lasso to use by following these steps:

1. Open your desktop.
2. On the desktop, find a bunch of icons you'd like to select.
3. Hold down the left mouse button and drag your mouse to draw a lasso box around the icons.
4. Release the left mouse button when you're finished dragging the lasso.

Once you release the lasso you'll see that all the items you selected with the lasso are highlighted. To move them around, just click and hold any highlighted item

A profile of our new trustee Alan KC8SFS:

Hello everyone, my name is Alan Savage(KC8SFS) & I live in East Canton, but I'm originally from the Youngstown area. I'm employed at United National Security as a Security Officer & have worked there for 2 years. I got interested in the Amateur Radio hobby from my parents, who are also hams. I've been into it now for 14 months and continuing to learn more about it everyday. Other hobbies that I like to do in my spare time are photographing trains & collecting model trains, plus work with computers. I am a member & trustee for the C.A.R.C. As being elected trustee for the club, I will do my best for the job & help make the right decisions as well.

STEVE MENDELSON, W2ML

Will be the guest speaker at a banquet preceding the Mansfield Hamfest, on Saturday Night, February 8th, 2003. Steve is the technical director for "Monday Night Football". He will talk about his experiences with the celebrity announcers. For more information please visit the "www.maser.org" website.

DX Notebook

ZK3 - TOKELAU - OC048

December 2 to December 16th
QSL Direct to JH7OHF

VK9X - CHRISTMAS ISLAND

December 7 to December 14
20 & 15 mB SSB
QSL to JA1KJW

XW1IC - LAOS

December 11 to December 16
160 - 10 mB
QSL to E21EIC

KH3/KH6GMP - JOHNSTON ISLAND

December 11 to December 17
SSB-RTTY-PSK31
QSL to home call KH6GMP

XV3TAA - VIETNAM

December xx to December
160 - 30 mB - CW
QSL to JA1TAA

9N7AS - NEPAL

December 23 to December 30
160 - 6 mB SSB-CW-RTTY-PSK31
QSL to JH3PAS

8N1OGA - OGASAWARA (JD/O)

December 27 to January 4, 2003
All Modes / All Bands
QSL OK vis JARL Bureau

AREA NETS

STARK COUNTY MUTUAL AID NET

SUNDAY AM

CW 11:00 28.150
P'KT 11:00 145.070-S
FM 11:30 146.520-S
SSB 11:45 28.310

SLOPPY FIST NET
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
9:00 PM - 28.138

ARES NET
TUESDAY
7:00 PM 147.120

ALLAINE A.R.C.
THURSDAY PM
CW 8:00 28.400
SSB 8:30 28.400
VHF 9:00 145.370

MASSILLON ARC
2ND, 3RD & 4TH
FRIDAY
8:00 PM 147.180

HAM EXAM SKED

JANUARY 11, 2003
SUMMIT COUNTY
RED CROSS
7:00 PM
501 W. MARKET
AKRON, OHIO

FEBRUARY 5, 2003
CUYAHOGA FALLS
A.R.C.
2015 3RD ST.
CUYAHOGA FALLS

HAMFEST DATES:
TUSCO A.R.C.
HAMFEST
JANUARY 26, 2003
NEW TOWN MALL
NEW PHILADELPHIA
8:00AM TO 2:30pm
TALK IN 146.730-

MASER MID-WINTER
HAMFEST
FEBRUARY 9, 2003
8:00 AM
RICHLAND CT'Y
FAIR GROUNDS

AMATEUR RADIO WEB SITE DIRECTORY

ARRL
www.ARRL.org

CLUB SITE
www.qsl.net/w8al/index.htm

STARK COUNTY
MUTUAL AID NET
www.qsl.net/ka8ftp

DX-SUMMIT
www.oh2gq.kolumbus.com/dxs1

FISTS
www.fists.org

CQ MAGAZINE
www.cq-amateur-radio.com

WEB SITE OF THE MONTH

THERE ARE MANY DX-BASED WEBSITES. THE "425-DX NEWS" IS AN ITALIAN WEBSITE DEVOTED TO DX AND IOTA NEWS. THERE ARE WEEKLY UPDATES TO THEIR REPORTS AND EACH ISSUE IS AVAILABLE ON LINE OR BY PERSONAL E-MAIL. THIS WEB SITE RECENTLY CONDUCTED A SURVEY OF THE MOST POPULAR LOGGING PROGRAMS.

THE CURRENT WEB SURVEY WILL BE USED TO COMPILE A LIST OF THE MOST WANTED DX ENTITIES. A QUICK LINK FROM THEIR HOME PAGE TAKES YOU TO THE SURVEY. FUTURE DX-PEDITIONS WILL USE THIS INFORMATION TO PLAN FOR UPCOMING TRIPS.

TAKE TIME TO CHECK THIS SITE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE DX INFORMATION. PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE "425 DX BULLETIN" ARE ON LINE AS WELL AND INCLUDE QSL INFORMATION. THE URL FOR THIS FREE SITE IS:

<http://www.425dxn.org>

Jamboree on the Air. . . .

Members of the Canton Amateur Radio Club were on hand again for Jamboree on the Air. This annual event is a fine opportunity to display our abilities for the youth of the community.

A district wide Boy Scout Fall Camporee gave us approximately 150 captive boy scouts to demonstrate Ham radio to. The club trailer, along with a portable 40 foot tower was installed at Clay's Park resort near Canal Fulton. This station was on the air from Friday night (Oct. 17th) through Sunday morning (Oct. 20th). About 30 scouts mustered up the courage to use ham radio to meet other Scouts and Scout leaders via radio. A review of the log indicates that nine countries were contacted along with many scout stations within the U.S. One young fellow even returned to the club trailer three times asking "can I do it again?"

For the entire (rainy) day of Saturday the Scouts were found along the Ohio-Erie Canal path. Demonstrations of Ham radio antennas, equipment and opportunities were staged along the trail.

Dag (W8LVL) and Dale (KB8LWP) furnished a display of portable 2-meter antennas and repeater operation.

Satellite communications was the topic for Randy (KC8ONX) and Tom (KC8FLS). Armed with a portable hand held duo-band yagi and a compass, these two had a great time pointing to a cloudy sky. The Scouts found Sat-Com very interesting.

A display of back-pack Ham radio was presented by Roger (W8VE) and Bill (N8PW). A Buddi-Pole (dipole) antenna was erected, on the spot along the trail. Using a small battery and a QRP rig (Yaesu FT-817) many CW contacts were made. All this equipment is compact enough for inclusion in a typical nap-sack or backpack.

In review our thanks must be heaped on all who braved the rain and cold weather. Devoting much time and expertise in set-up of the station was Craig (N8OH), Paul (KB8GSV), Paul (KC8AEN) and Randy (KC8ONX). The club trailer was at all times in contact with volunteers along the trail, via our club repeater. This trailer was manned throughout the event on Saturday by Craig (N8OH), Lori (KC8ONY) and Paul (KC8AEN). Operation of the HF station (until the wee hours) fell upon the shoulders of Scott (KK8D), Paul (KB8GSV) and Bill (N8PW). The tear down crew consisted of KC8ONX, KC8FLS and KB8GSV. Many thanks to all !!

News and Notes

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Foundation For Amateur Radio, Inc., a non profit organization with headquarters in Washington, D.C. plans to administer 58 scholarships for the academic year 2003-2004 to assist licensed Radio Amateurs. Licensed Amateurs may compete for these awards if they plan to pursue a full-time course of studies beyond high school and are enrolled in or have been accepted for enrollment at an accredited university, college or technical school. The awards range from \$500 to \$2500. Additional information and an application form may be requested by letter or QSL card, postmarked prior to April 30, 2003 from:
FAR SCHOLARSHIPS
Post Office Box 831;
Riverdale, MD 20738

NEW MEMBER -

The C.A.R.C. welcomes our new member LU5EML, Matias Candel. Matias hails from Buenos Aries, Argentina. He is a 19 year old student at Walsh College and has been actively using the club shack. Matias hunts DX and is a contester. He will travel home for the holidays, but will return to school in January. Listen for him as AY5EML in the ARRL 10mB contest December 14-15th.

2003 DUES -

Its dues paying time again. Regular membership is still a bargain at \$ 10.00/year. Sustaining membership is only \$15.00/year. Look to the insert in this month's Feedline. The December meeting is a great time to stop by at a club meeting and pay your 2003 dues !